

Friday, work through the lunch hour, trying to adjourn between two-thirty and three. I would ask members if they would to be aware of that. We've gone to more and more four-day weekends to allow people to accommodate their personal business and personal lives and to get back to their districts, those of you that live a long ways away. That's done to accommodate. I would appreciate it if you could try your level best to stay as long as you can until we actually adjourn on that last day. With that, I'm really not putting this up here for debate at this point. If you have individual questions, you will have an opportunity to deal with those on a personal basis or as these issues come up. But that's my thinking. Thank you for the opportunity to speak, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. LB 337A.

CLERK: LB 337A, Senator Maurstad, I have no amendments to the bill, Senator.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Madam President, I would move to advance LB 337A to E & R for engrossing.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'm going to support advancing this bill as I supported advancing the bill in chief, which was 337, because I don't want this bill to get lost in the shuffle. And, on that point, I say again what I've said before about the way things are done in this Legislature. They establish a procedure known as priority bills. Then they violate that procedure because there are certain people's bills who have a greater priority than others. This way you can wait and name your bill as late as you please, then if the Governor wants it or somebody else who says it's important, it will jump above all the others. I have a bill on Maximus that, to me, and a lot of the members, is as important as the two that had been selected out. I'm just giving this as my opinion. I think it's inappropriate to do that and if that's the way we're going to do, you know where at the end all the rules go out the window to favor certain issues and certain interests, then I have to become an obstructionist, and I'm just making it clear. And I know I have some bills that will fall by the wayside too. But I didn't put the priority bill system in place. Either it means what it says or it doesn't. And if others are scrambling around here and sometimes